

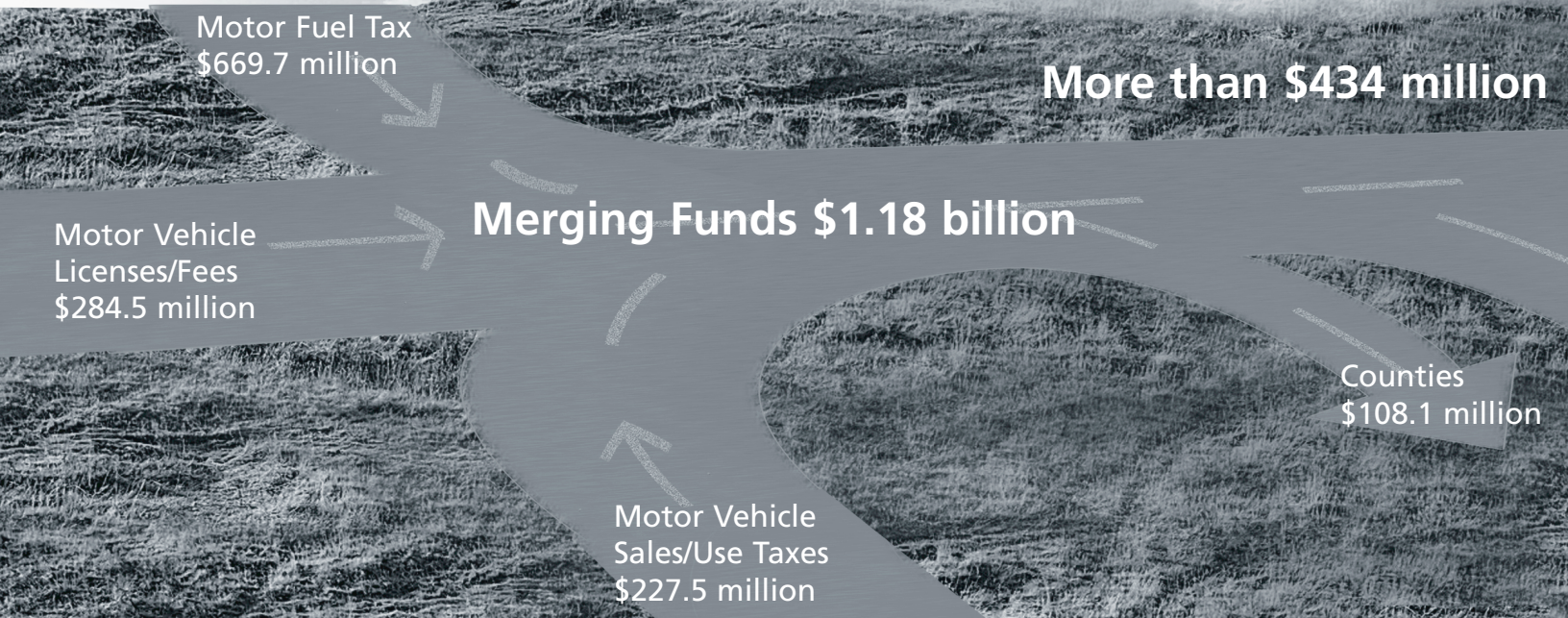
# Funds exit before road repairs begin

The Missouri Department of Transportation receives funding from a variety of sources. Missourians support their transportation system through motor-fuel taxes, vehicle license fees and motor-vehicle sales/use taxes. What many people don't know is that MoDOT receives only a portion of these funds.

As directed by the General Assembly, a large chunk of this revenue takes an exit to cities, counties and

other state agencies. Refunds from the Hancock amendment also chip away at the sum. By the time MoDOT receives its share, nearly 40 percent of the funds are gone.

In Fiscal Year 2002, revenues going to other state agencies totaled more than \$180 million. City governments received nearly \$145 million, and counties shared in another \$108 million.



## Where Your Money Goes

MoDOT makes every effort to be a wise steward of taxpayer money. This graph shows the department's expenditures after funds for cities, counties and other agencies are taken out.

*dollars in thousands*

### Administration

MoDOT spends \$47 million, or less than 3 percent of its disbursements, on administrative functions. According to the Federal Highway Administration, that makes MoDOT the fifth lowest of the 50 states in administrative costs.

### Construction

Boosted by a temporary influx of bond finance money that must be repaid with interest, MoDOT spent about \$1.3 billion on construction, including new bridges, roads, lanes and highways in FY2002. That makes 2002 the largest construction year ever for Missouri.

\$47,236

2.7%

\$1,328.992

75.3%



The bottom line: MoDOT received around \$747.4 million in taxes and fees to meet all its highway responsibilities. If we halted all new construction immediately, current funding would enable MoDOT to accomplish little more than maintaining what we have.

## MoDOT fact

Twenty-five years ago, Missouri spent **17%** of its budget on transportation. Excluding recent bond financing, transportation now accounts for only **7.5%** of the state's budget.



takes an exit

Cities  
\$144.8 million

State Agencies  
\$181.4 million

MoDOT's share is  
**63% of total funds.**

### Maintenance

MoDOT's second largest expense is maintenance. That includes road resurfacing, shoulder repair, right of way upkeep and pothole repair.

### Service Operations

It takes more than bulldozers to build highways. Support personnel include legal, cultural resources, vehicle-fleet management, governmental relations, computer technicians and more. They all play a vital role in MoDOT's operation.

### Debt Service

MoDOT must channel a portion of its funding to paying off financing debt.

\$263,990

15.0%

\$99,225

5.6%

\$25,098

1.4%